

REMARKS

In the Final Office Action mailed March 16, 2007, the Examiner (1) rejected claim 33 under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by Lonon (U.S. 5,085,407). The Examiner acknowledged, however, that claims 1-15 and 17-32 are allowable, and claims 34-35 would be allowable if rewritten to include the limitations of their respective base and intermediate claims. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application in view of the foregoing amendments and the following remarks.

I. Allowable Subject Matter

Claim 33 has been amended to include the limitations of allowable claim 34, placing claim 33 in condition for allowance. Claim 34 has been canceled. Therefore, claims 33 and 35 are now in condition for allowance.

CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that claims 1-15, 17-23, 25-33, and 35 are now in condition for allowance. If there are any remaining matters that may be handled by telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,

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